OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

City of Eugene, Oregon

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection report cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children between infancy and age 15. This tragic disease is detected in more than 15,000 of our country's young people each and every year; and
- WHEREAS: one in five of our nation's children loses his or her battle with cancer. Many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and
- WHEREAS: founded over twenty years ago by Steven Firestein, a member of the philanthropic Max Factor family, the American Cancer Fund for Children, Inc. and Kids Cancer Connection, Inc. are dedicated to helping these children and their families; and
- WHEREAS: the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection provide a variety of vital patient psychosocial services to children undergoing cancer treatment at Doernbecher Children's Hospital in Portland, as well as participating hospitals throughout the country, thereby enhancing the quality of life for these children and their families; and
- WHEREAS: the American Cancer Fund for Children and Kids Cancer Connection also sponsor Courageous Kid Recognition Award ceremonies, community get well cards and hospital celebrations in honor of a child's determination and bravery to fight the battle against childhood cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kitty Piercy, Mayor of the City of Eugene, Oregon, do hereby proclaim September, 2014, to be

"Childhood Cancer Awareness Month"

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Mayor of Eugene

September 1, 2014

in Eugene, Oregon, and encourage all citizens of our communities to support children in their fight against cancer.